### Frequently Asked Questions

### When is community court?

Via Zoom, Fridays at 10 a.m. Zoom ID: 816 8978 9409

#### When is the Resource Center?

Via Zoom, Fridays at 11 a.m. Zoom ID: 816 8978 9409

## What is different about Community Court compared to court?

There will be organizations from the community that may be a resource to you.

### Who may I contact if I have questions about my hearing?

Your attorney and/or Monroe Municipal Community Court Coordinator Brad Cotton at bcotton@monroewa.gov.

### What if I don't show up?

This is still Court. The judge can issue a warrant for your arrest.

### Can others come to my hearing?

Yes, Court is open to the public.

## Will the public defender and prosecutor be at Community Court?

Yes, both will be there. Public Defender: 425-530-6207 City Prosecutor: 866-950-9950



## Resources Who May be Present at Community Court:



Provides quality, comprehensive health, housing, educational, & cultural services to diverse communities.



Facilitates Substance Abuse Disorder assessments, outpatient, inpatient, detox, ADIS & co-occurring counseling.



A nonprofit organization that can provide hygiene kits for men & women; hats, gloves, socks; & Community Transit bus tickets.



Life skills training, child services, participating in housing or employment services.



Clothing, hotel, grocery & gas vouchers, gift cards, YMCA memberships, & help with ID cards.



## Washington State Department of Social and Health Services

Social security, EBT cards, ID cards, Medicaid assistance, paying medical bills, pregnancy medical program, & housing assistance.



Information & referral service designed to connect community members to services & basic needs such as food, clothing, & assistance paying for utility bills, legal referrals & shelters.





Can meet on virtual resource center to set up appointments with counselor for SUD or other assessment, or treatment options.



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# The Community Court Approach

## The goals and objectives of the Monroe Municipal Community Court are to:

- 1) reduce use of jail as a sanction for low level offenses:
- 2) increase opportunities for life changing experiences through meaningful connections with service providers;
- 3) increase success for those navigating the criminal justice system by offering case management and services;
- 4) increase offender accountability through restitution and community service;
- 5) decrease the amount of time from the offense date to the disposition date; and
- 6) improve public trust and confidence in the justice system.



### **Mission Statement**

Monroe Municipal Community Court (MMCC) is a collaborative, problem solving, and community focused approach to respond to low-level quality of life crimes. Through a collaborative effort between Monroe Municipal Court, the City Prosecutor, Monroe public defenders, the Monroe Police Department, and community service providers, MMCC seeks to provide social services to individuals, reduce crime, hold participants accountable, save taxpayer money, and increase public confidence in the local criminal justice system.

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